

The decision of Sinclair Broadcasting to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

The FCC has the power to stop this abuse of access to media. More importantly, the FCC has the RESPONSIBILITY to act on the behalf of the public to prevent this atrocity.

This is not a free speech issue. Thanks to our founding fathers, every U.S. citizen has the right to voice their opinion, although we have seen many individuals of average means have these very rights stifled in recent years. Most citizens do not own TV and radio stations and therefore have very limited means to express their views. Our founding fathers never intended for the open exchange of ideas to be restricted to the privileged few.

Mark Hyman's smear campaign amounts to nothing more amounts to nothing more than a corporate entity's misuse of their position as gatekeeper to public airwaves and this must not be allowed!

If you have any compassion for the American people, any sense of duty as a custodian of the public airwaves or at the very minimum, a sense of responsibility to the mission of the FCC, please stand up against this corporate bully!

Thank you.